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Sir:

A restriction requirement was made in the Office Action mailed November 2, 2006. Applicants provisionally elect the invention of Claims 67-69, 72, 73, 78-92, 94, and 96-104. These claims **do not** comport with the various "species" and corresponding drawing figures identified in the Office Action because, as explained below, it is Applicants' belief that a restriction requirement must be based on the claims, not the drawing figures. Thus, provisionally elected Claims 67-69, 72, 73, 78-92, 94 and 96-104 may read on one or more of the drawing figures identified in the restriction requirement, and none of these claims is necessarily restricted to any one of these drawing figures.

It will be recalled that the statutory basis for restriction requirements refers to **claims**, not drawing figures. 35 U.S.C. §121 states that "If two or more independent and distinct inventions